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SUBJECT: DRC/DPC CONSIDERATION OF COUNTRY FORCE PLANS

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SUMMARY. DURING NOVEMBER 7 MEETING, DRC DISCUSSED CHAIRMAN'S EARLIER SUGGESTION THAT DPC PERMREPS REVIEW 1974 CHAPTERS ON COUNTRY FORCE PLANS IN "BATCHES"; NO CLEAR CONSENSUS EMERGED. CHAIRMAN SAID SUBJECT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE FOR DISCUSSION AT A PERMREPS LUNCHEON. END SUMMARY.

1. UNDER ANY OTHER BUSINESS PORTION OF NOVEMBER 7 DRC MEETING, CHAIRMAN HUMPHREYS ASKED FOR REACTIONS TO HIS SUGGESTION THAT DPC TREAT 1974 CHAPTERS ON COUNTRY FORCE PLANS IN "BATCHES" BY REGION (PARA 10, REFTEL).

2. CANADIAN REP (SHEFFIELD) SAID HIS AMBASSADOR STRONGLY OPPOSED MORE THAN ONE DRPC MEETING ON COUNTRY CHAPTERS BECAUSE OF: A) SCHEDULING PROBLEMS, AND B) GENERAL COVER NOTED ON FORCE PLANS, WHICH WILL INCLUDE SOME REGIONAL ANALAYSES AND THUS PROVIDE BASIS FOR DISCUSSION BY REGION.

3. UK REP (MACDONALD) DOUBTED PERMREPS COULD SUSTAIN DISCUSSION
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OF COUNTRY FORCE PLANS FOR MORE THAN ONE MEETING AND SAID AMBASSADOR PECK FAVORED REGIONAL CONSIDERATION THROUGH REGIONAL ANALYSES IN COVER NOTE. UK REP ADDED THAT MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE IS PROBABLY A MORE APPROPRIATE SUBJECT FOR EXTENDED DPC

DISCUSSION.

4. US REP (BGEN BOWMAN) SAID US FAVORED HAVING MORE THAN ONE MEETING. HE ADDED A LOT OF HARD WORK HAS GONE INTO DRC REVIEW OF FORCE PLANS, AND IT IS IMPORTANT TO ENGAGE PERMREPS ON A COUNTRY FORCE PLANS. A LOGICAL WAY FOR PERMREPS TO ADDRESS COUNTRY PLANS IS FOR THE DPC TO TAKE UP THE CHAPTERS IN SMALL GROUPINGS.

5. TURKISH REP (TOPUR) SUPPORTED DIVIDING UP DPC REVIEW INTO MORE THAN ONE MEETING BY GROUPING CHAPTERS AND THUS SET STAGE FOR MORE EXTENSIVE DPC DISCUSSION.

6. FRG REP (GEN SCHUNEMANN) SAID AMBASSADOR KRAPF PREFERRED REGIONAL APPROACH, BUT NOT MORE THAN TWO DPC MEETINGS ON COUNTRY PLANS. NORWEGIAN REP (LEINE) SAID NORWEGIAN VIEW COINCIDES EXACTLY WITH FRG VIEW.

7. DANISH REP (REOSENTHAL) SAID AMBASSADOR SVART IS NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT REVIEWING COUNTRY CHAPTERS IN BATCHES, BUT DENMARK IS WILLING TO GO ALONG WITH THE MAJORITY.

8. NETHERLANDS REP (CARSTEN) SAID AMBASSADOR HARTOGH DOUBTED DPC REVIEW OF COUNTRY CHAPTERS IN BATCHES WOULD HELP PROMOTE MORE DPC DISCUSSION. HE ADDED TRILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL REVIEWS LEFT LITTLE FOR AMBASSADORS TO DISCUSS. HE THEN ASKED IF CHAIRMAN ANTICIPATED EXTENSIVE PERMREP DISCUSSION OF MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE. CHAIRMAN SAID HE HOPED DRC DISCUSSIONS WERE ADEQUATELY REFLECTING AMBASSADORS' VIEWS AND WHILE AMBASSADORS SHOULD MEET ON MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE, IMPLIED THAT BECAUSE DRC IS NOT QUOTE SERVING UP UNQUOTE FINAL TEXT, DPC SHOULD AVOID PROTRACTED BATTLES OVER LANGUAGE. HENCE, HE SAW NO NEED FOR LENGTHY PERMREPS MEETINGS AT THIS JUNCTURE ON MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE. CHAIRMAN EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT DUTCH VIEW ON TREATMENT OF COUNTRY PLANS, ESPECIALLY AS AMBASSADOR SPIERENBURG IN HIS DEPARTURE SPEECH ENJOINED PERMREPS TO CONFIDENTIAL

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DISCUSS DEFENSE ISSUE MORE OFTEN AND IN MORE DETAIL; IN HUMPHREYS' VIEW THE FALL REVIEW OF COUNTRY FORCES PLANS IS AT THE HEART OF NATO'S DEFENSE PLANNING ACTIVITIES. IN CONCLUDING, HUMPHREYS SAID AVAILABILITY OF COUNTRY CHAPTERS AND SCHEDULING POSSIBILITIES WOULD DICTATE HIS RECOMMENDATION AND NOTED QUESTION OF MORE THAN ONE DPC MEETING MIGHT BE AN APPROPRIATE TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION AT A PERMREPS LUNCHEON.

9. DURING MEETING CHAIRMAN CONFIRMED THAT DRC MMLTILATERAL REVIEW OF PORTUGUESE (USNATO 5499), NETHERLANDS (USNATO 5828), AND UK (USNATO 5443) FORCE PLANS WOULD TAKE PLACE ON NOVEMBER 12. MISSION APPRECIATES COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM THE HAGUE AND LONDON (AS WELL AS COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM

OTHER CAPITALS) ON OUR PROPOSED POSITION FOR MULTILATERAL
REVIEWS; WE ARE STILL LOOKING FORWARD TO WASHINGTON COMMENTS,
PARTICULARLY FOR REVIEWS SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 12, WHICH
CARRY MANY POLITICAL OVERTONES.
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